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A PROGLAMATION.

For apprehending and securing the Persons of William Burroughs Esq; and William Squire.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS we have received Information, that William Burroughs Esq; one of the Committee entrusted with the Management of the Affairs of the Charitable Corporation for the Relief of Industrious Poor, by assisting them with small Sums of Money upon Pledges at legal Interest; and William Squire, one of the Assistants to the said Committee, have carried on divers notorious fraudulent Practices, to the great Detriment of the Proprietors in the said Corporation: And whereas an humble Address hath been presented to us by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs in Parliament assembled, that we would be graciously pleased immediately to issue our Royal Proclamation with such Reward as we should think proper, for discovering, apprehending, and detaining the said William Burroughs and William Squire, in order that they may be brought to Justice; We have thought fit, by the Advice of our Privy Council, to issue this our Royal Proclamation, hereby requiring and commanding all our loving Subjects whatsoever, to discover and apprehend, or cause the said William Burroughs and William Squire to be discovered and apprehended, and to carry them and either of them before some of our Justices of the Peace, or Chief Magistrates of the County, Town, or Place where they or either of them shall be apprehended, who are respectively required to secure them and either of them, and thereof to give speedy Notice to our Privy Council, or one of our principal Secretraries of State, to the End they and each of them may be forthcoming, to be dealt with and proceeded against according to Law: And for the Prevention of the Escape of the said William Burroughs and William Squire into Parts beyond the Seas, we do hereby require and command all our Officers of the Customs, and other our Officers and Subjects of and in our respective Ports and Maritime Towns and Places within our Kingdom of Great Britain, that they and every of them in their respective Places and Stations, be careful and diligent in the Examination of all Persons that shall pass or endeavour to pass beyond the Seas; and if they shall discover the said William Burroughs and William Squire, or either of them, then to cause them and either of them to be aprehendended and secured, and to give Notice thereof as aforesaid. And we do hereby strictly charge and command all our loving Subjects, (as they will answer the contrary at their Perils) that they do not any ways conceal, but do discover the said William Burroughs and William Squire, to the End that they and each of them may be secured and proceeded against according to Law. And for the Encouragement of all Persons to be diligent and careful in endeavouring to discover and apprehend the said William Burroughs and William Squire, we do hereby further declare, That whosoever shall discover and apprehend the said William Burroughs and William Squire, or either of them, and shall bring them or either of them before some Justice of Peace or chief Magistrate, as aforesaid, shall have and receive as a Reward for each of them being so apprehended and brought before some Justice of Peace or chief Magistrate, as aforesaid, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds. Which said Sums of Five Hundred Pounds our Commissioners of our Treasury are hereby required and directed to pay accordingly.

Given at our Court at St. James's, the 17th Day of March, 1731, in the Fifth Year of our Reign.
GOD Save the KING.

Dublin, March 8.

This Day the House of Lords presented the following Address to his Grace the Lord Lieutenant at the Castle.

To his Grace Lionel Duke of Dorset, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governour of Ireland.

The humble Address of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled.

May it please your Grace,

WE the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, humbly beg Leave, on the approaching End of this Session, to express to your Grace our grateful Sense of the Blessings we have enjoyed under your just and wise Administration, and our Hope of their being yet further extended by the good Bills which by your Grace's Influence are now ready to be passed into Laws.

By

By the Reduction of Intereſt at the ſame Time that a Proviſion hath been made for a large Part of the National Debt, and by the Precautions taken for the better ſecuring the publick Revenues, and thereby preventing the Encreaſe of it, we have the agreeable Proſpect of ſharing the Advantages which his Majeſty's generous and ſucceſsful Labours for the Peace of Europe, cannot fail of diffuſing thro' every Part of his Dominions.

Your Grace's known Vigilance, your tender Regard for the Intereſt of this Kingdom before your Arrival in it, and the Experience of thoſe great and amiable Qualities which have gained you the Hearts of a whole People ſince you appeared among us, leave us no Room to doubt, but your Grace will favourably repreſent to his Majeſty our Zeal and Fidelity to his moſt ſacred Perſon and Government.

And as we have chearfully concurred in every Proviſion for the Benefit and Quiet of our Country, we ſhall think ourſelves obliged on the ſame Principles, by a due Execution of the Laws, to preſerve the Continuance of his Majeſty's Favour, and the Protection of a chief Governour, for whoſe Wiſdom, Honour and Integrity, we profeſs the higheſt Veneration.

To which Addreſs his Grace was pleas'd to give the following Anſwer.

My Lords,

I Set the greateſt Value upon the Regard ſhewn me by your Lordſhips in this obliging Addreſs, and cannot doubt of preſerving your Eſteem, as it is founded on your Confidence in my Zeal for his Majeſty's Service, and on my conſtant Endeavours for the Proſperity of this Kingdom.

Dublin, March 9. This Day the Houſe of Commons attended his Grace the Lord Lieutenant at the Caſtle, with the following Addreſs.

To his Grace Lionel Duke of Dorſet, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governour of the Kingdom of Ireland.

The humble Addreſs of the Knights, Citizens and Burgeſſes in Parliament aſſembled.

May it pleaſe your Grace,

WE his Majeſty's moſt faithful Commons, think it our indiſpenſable Duty, before the Concluſion of this Seſſion of Parliament, to return your Grace our moſt ſincere Thanks for your juſt and wiſe Adminiſtration.

We beg Leave to expreſs the grateful Senſe we have of your Grace's Zeal for the Advancement of Learning and good Literature in this Kingdom, and of the many other Benefits and Advantages we enjoy under your Grace's mild and prudent Government, and are convinced your Grace has nothing more at Heart than the Service of the Crown, and the Good and Proſperity of this Country.

Your Grace, through the whole Courſe of your Adminiſtration, has fully made good thoſe Aſſurances you were pleaſed to give us at the Beginning of this Seſſion of Parliament, of your Inclination to do every thing in your Power that might contribute to the Honour, Welfare and Intereſt of this Kingdom. We therefore depend on your Grace, that when you ſhall attend his Majeſty's moſt ſacred Perſon, you will repreſent us to him as a moſt dutiful and loyal People, placing our greateſt Happineſs on the Continuance of his Royal Favour and Protection, ready under the utmoſt Difficulties to grant him ſuch Supplies as are neceſſary for the Support of his Government, and truly ſenſible of the many Bleſſings we enjoy under his moſt auſpicious Reign.

His Grace was pleas'd to return the Anſwer following.

I Am very much obliged to you for this kind and affectionate Addreſs, and ſhall continue my Endeavours to preſerve your good Opinion, by purſuing my own Inclinations to promote the Intereſt of Ireland to the utmoſt of my Power, and by repreſenting in the moſt faithful Manner your loyal Behaviour to his Majeſty.

On the 10th the Houſe reſolved Nem. Con. That the Thanks of the Houſe be given to the Right Honourable Sir Ralph Gore, Bart. their Speaker, for his faithful and eminent Services performed to the Houſe in the Chair this Seſſion of Parliament.

Dublin, March 10. His Grace the Lord Lieutenant went this Day in State to the Houſe of Peers, and being ſeated on the Throne with the uſual Ceremony, his Grace ſent for the Commons, and gave the Royal Aſſent to the following Bills.

An Act for the better ſecuring and collecting His Majeſty's Revenue.

An Act for explaining and amending the ſeveral Laws for preventing Frauds committed by Tenants, and for the more eaſy Renewal of Leaſes, and for the further Amendment of the Law in certain Caſes therein mentioned.

An Act for allowing further Time to Perſons in Offices to qualify themſelves, purſuant to an Act, entitled, An Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery.

An Act for continuing ſeveral Temporary Statutes made in this Kingdom, and now near expiring, and for the Amendment of the Statutes therein mentioned.

An Act for reducing the Intereſt of Money to Six per Cent.

An Act to enable Ideots and Lunaticks, who are ſeized or poſſeſſed of Eſtates in Fee, or for Lives or Terms of Years in Truſt, or by way of Mortgage, to make Conveyances, Surrenders or Aſſignments of ſuch Eſtates, and to prevent Delay in Suits in Equity, where Truſtees cannot be found.

An Act to encourage the Improvement of Barren and Waſte Land and Boggs, and plant-

planting of Timber Trees and Orchards.

An Act for the more effectual puniſhing Stealers of Lead, or Iron Bars fixed to Houſes, or any Fences belonging thereunto.

An Act for explaining and amending an Act made in the 28th Year of the Reign of King Henry the Eighth, entitled, An Act for the Wears upon the Barrow, and other Waters in the County of Kilkenny.

An Act to prevent the Throwing or Fireing of Squibbs, Serpents and other Fireworks.

An Act for the better Regulation and Government of Sea-Men in the Merchants Service.

An Act to explain and amend an Act, entitled, An Act for the better regulating the Work-Houſe of the City of Dublin, and to regulate and provide for the Poor thereof, and to prevent Miſchiefs which may happen by keeping Gunpowder within the ſaid City, and alſo for explaining and amending one other Act, entitled, An Act for the better enabling the Governours of the Work-Houſe of the City of Dublin to provide for and employ the Poor therein, and for the more effectual Puniſhment of Vagabonds, and alſo for the better ſecuring of and providing for Lunaticks and Foundling Children.

And to Eleven private Bills.

After which his Grace was pleaſed to make the following Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Come with great Satisfaction to cloſe a Seſſion of Parliament, in which his Majeſty's Expectations have been anſwered by evident Proofs of your Duty and Affection; and your Loyalty to him recompenſed, by his gracious Approbation of many good Laws prepared by you for the Benefit and Advantage of the Kingdom.

The preſent Peace of Europe, ſo happily preſerved and eſtabliſhed by the Wiſdom of his Majeſty's Counſels, cannot fail of contributing to your particular Welfare, by enabling you to improve and extend thoſe Branches of Trade and Manufactures, which are properly your own, and in which you may rely on his Majeſty's Royal Protection and Encouragement; this would effectually prevent all Deſigns, and diſappoint all Attempts to carry on a clandeſtine and illegal Trade, in its Conſequences highly prejudicial to *Great Britain*, injurious to *Ireland*, and beneficial only to the Rivals of both.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Commons,

I am commanded by his Majeſty to return you his Thanks for the Supplies you have given for the Support of the Eſtabliſhment, and toward the Diſcharge of the National Debt. You are ſenſible, that the Meaſures you have taken with ſo much Juſtice and Honour, can never bring about that deſirable End, without a ſtrict Execution of the Laws, and particularly of that framed by you this Seſſion, for the better Securing his Majeſty's Revenue.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I make no Doubt but what hath appeared ſo neceſſary to you, when aſſembled together, will be zealouſly promoted by each of you in your ſeveral Stations; and that you will look upon it as a Matter of the greateſt Importance to this Kingdom, to countenance and protect thoſe employed in the Collection of his Majeſty's Revenue, in the Diſcharge of their Duty; that the Commerce of the Kingdom may not be impaired, the fair Trader injured, and an Increaſe of the Publick Debt brought upon you by the Fraud, Injuſtice, and Violence of a few, who build their Fortunes upon the Ruin of their Country.

I am fully perſuaded, that on your Return into your ſeveral Countries, you will continue your Endeavours to maintain the Publick Peace and Proſperity with the ſame Zeal you have ſhewn in your Deliberations here.

My earneſt Deſire to promote the Welfare of Ireland, my Regard to Juſtice, and my Duty to the King, lay me under the ſtricteſt Obligations, faithfully to repreſent to his Majeſty your Affection and Loyalty to his ſacred Perſon and Government; and whilſt I have the Honour to remain in his Royal Preſence, I ſhall recommend to his Grace and Favour thoſe who diſtinguiſh themſelves in advancing the true and real Intereſt of this Kingdom.

Afterwards the Lord Chancellor, by his Grace's Command, ſaid,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is his Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Pleaſure, that this Parliament be prorogued to Tueſday the Eighteenth Day of April next, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to meet here on Tueſday the Eighteenth Day of April next.

Whereas an anonymous Letter, dated Saturday the 4th of March, 1731-2, was received by Mr. Attorney General, propoſing the giving ſome Information concerning the threatning Letter lately written to him: If the Perſon who wrote the ſaid anonymous Letter will attend Mr. Paxton, Sollicitor to the Treaſury, at his Office in Southampton Buildings near Chancery-lane, he may be aſſured of Protection, and of the Encouragement to which he may become intitled, in purſuance of an Advertiſement inſerted in the London Gazettes of the 1ſt, 5th, and 8th of February laſt.

Navy Office, March 14, 1731.

The Rt. Hon. the Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury having appointed Money for paying of Half Pay to Sea Officers from the 1ſt of July 1731, to the 31ſt of December following, according to his late Majeſty's Eſtabliſhment on that Behalf: Theſe are to give Notice, that the ſaid Payments will begin to be made at the Treaſurer of the Navy's Office in Broadſtreet, at Nine a-Clock in the Morning, the following Days, viz, On Thurſday the 30th Inſtant for the Captains, Friday the 31ſt for the Lieutenants, and Saturday April the 1ſt for the Maſters and Surgeons; that all Perſons concerned may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them, and not only bring with them the